

The Adair County News.

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COLUMBIA, ADAIR COUNTY, KENTUCKY, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1909.

NUMBER 9

Born, to the wife of Elmer Hammons, Jan. 3, 1909, a son.

M. L. Mitchell sold a fine Jersey cow last week for \$45.00

Mr. P. V. Cundiff lost a valuable horse last Saturday.

Born, to the wife of William Sapp, Jan. 1st, 1909, a son.

Frank Waggener sold Lucien Moore a pair of mules for \$325.

H. O. Mullinix bought of John Webb a harness horse for \$140.

Born, to the wife of Walker Bryant, December 30, 1908, a daughter.

Mr. J. W. Hurt has our thanks for some home grown chewing tobacco.

Statements of four different banks are published in this issue of the News.

A few weeks ago the weather was fine for road working, but nobody was ready to work. Result, take the mud.

Mr. J. S. Breeding will be the auctioneer at the sale of the property of S. D. Caldwell, deceased, on the 12th, inst.

Mr. J. M. Nevill, who was a well-known citizen of Metcalfe county, died a few days ago. He was a magistrate for fifty years.

There were three additions to the Methodist Church Sunday night, one by letter, one from another Church and one by confession.

An infant child of Tom Bryant Jr., was buried at Shiloh last Sunday. The religious services were conducted by Eld. E. J. Barger.

John White bought one cow from young Bros., \$22.50, one cow from W. G. Gabbert for \$19, and one yoke of oxen from Ben Conover for \$50.

Altschler & Pemberton bought a number of mules and horses here last Thursday. They paid from \$75.00 to \$175 for mules and the horses sold well.

Jo M. Turner, Geo. B. Helm, J. B. Keltner, H. J. Conover and H. A. Walker are the supervisors. They are now at work overlooking the Assessor's book.

Mrs. W. S. Hindman, Milltown, sold one turkey, a few days ago, at 11 cents per pound. It weighed 35 pounds, bringing her \$4.02. Does it pay to raise turkeys?

Quite a number of young people met with Miss Mabel Atkins last Saturday evening, spending several hours in a very enjoyable manner. There were music and games.

The week of prayer is in progress, meetings to be held each night during this week. Interesting topics have been published, and the people throughout the community are cordially invited to attend.

Mr. Ed Cox and family, former residents of Greensburg, have removed to Columbia and are occupying the residence near the home of Mr. J. N. Coffey, known as the Baptist parsonage.

We have opened a shoe shop and general tool repairing shop in our old place, back of the wholesale grocery. Your patronage solicited. (It) Moore & Franklin.

The young people of Columbia stormed Miss Vic Hughes and her visitor, Miss Myrtle Zimmerman, last Thursday evening. The occasion proved to be a most enjoyable affair. Delightful music was rendered and there were many games.

Mr. Brack Massie is making preparations to erect a handsome residence this year. The old building known as the C. J. Taylor property will be removed, but the new dwelling will not be erected on the old site—on the same lot, but nearer the street, running from Judge W. W. Jones' property.

A private letter from Mr. W. D. Jones, who is in the real estate business at Knoxville, Tenn., states that he did fairly well during the year 1908, and that he expects to increase his business during this year. That he may get rich and come home to invest his money in the wish of his Adair county friends.

Rev A. R. Kasey preached two interesting sermons at the Methodist church last Sunday forenoon and evening. The evening discourse was a most magnificent sermon, and evidently the congregation got much good out of it. The speaker took up the life and character of Daniel, drawing a most beautiful picture. His appeal to the young to live pure lives was touching. A more eloquent discourse has not been delivered here for many moons.

CLOSING OUT AT COST.

Will Erect a Handsome New Building.

Mr. J. O. Russell, the senior member of the firm of Russell & Co., having decided to erect a handsome and modern business house on the Isenburg corner of the public square, the firm has agreed to sell its entire stock of general merchandise at cost for cash. The stock is estimated at not less than eighteen thousand dollars. The disposition of it commenced the first day of January, and an effort will be made to "clean up" by the first of July.

Mr. Russell is one of the best known merchants in South Eastern Kentucky, and his many friends will be glad to know that he is not going out of business—only making preparations to be in position to serve his customers in the future better than he has in the past. Contractors are now figuring on the new structure that he will build, and in a short time the old Isenburg building will be removed and the erection of the new store house commenced. It will be brick and virtually a three-story building, counting the basement, which will be one of the sale departments. The stock of goods now being closed out is clean, and there are bargains for every body.

A Delightful Gathering.

Misses Bettie and Martha Hancock entertained their many friends in the parlors of the Hancock Hotel last Friday evening in a manner befitting two of Columbia's popular young ladies. The parlors were handsomely decorated and by 9 o'clock they were graced with beauty and gallantry of the community. Refreshments were served, and before the hour of departure arrived, all the guests had met "Mr. Dooley and his family" and were exceedingly well pleased with their fascinations. Other games were played, and the music rendered charming. All honor to the Misses Hancock is the universal expression of those who were in attendance. The following were present:

Woodruff Flowers, Miss Minnie Kemp; Dr. R. Y. Hindman, Miss Laura Herford; James Garnett, Miss Mary Cartwright; Ewing Stults, Miss Alice Walker, Ray Montgomery, Miss Mabel Atkins; Garland Grissom, Miss Lillie Judd; Tim Cravens, Miss Ida Todd; John Flowers, Miss Elizabeth Rowe; Ray Flowers, Miss Jennie McFarland; Eres Barger, Miss Myrtle Myers; Reed Shelton, Miss Martha Hancock; George Lowe, Miss Betsey Hancock; Rob Reed, Miss Frances Jones; George Montgomery, Miss Lura Smith; Fred Hill, Miss Nina Marcum; Robt. Todd, Miss Katie Murrell; John Lee Walker, Miss Dimple Conover; Alexandria Chewning, Miss Amanda Butler; George Hancock, Miss Vic Hughes; Edwin Cranves, Miss Zimmerman

Lilburn Phelps Recommended.

Jamestown, Ky., Jan. 4 1909. For the News: At a meeting of the Republican county Executive Committee of Russell county, on Saturday, Jan. 2, 1909, the following resolution, introduced by Judge Sharp, was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this committee that inasmuch as Russell county has never had a Republican candidate for State Senator, we ask and urge the Republicans of the other counties of the district to consider the qualifications of our countryman, the Hon. Lilburn Phelps, and we hereby ask Mr. Phelps to submit his claims and the county's claim to the consideration of the rest of the district.

R. E. Lloyd, Chairman,
N. B. Falkenburg, Sec'y.

Public Sale.

Tuesday, January 12, 1909, sale to commence at 10 o'clock. We will offer for sale at the late residence of S. D. Caldwell, the following: Stock: horses, mules and hogs. Crops: tobacco, hay, and 250 barrels corn, and farming implements. (1-t) Heirs of S. D. Caldwell.

We Will Sell at a Bargain.

A thirty-five horse power, mounted boiler, good as new, twenty-five horse power engine and a new saw rig with two good saws. This is a chance if you want a first-class outfit at a great reduction in price. Write or call on Wolford Bros. Casey Creek, Ky. (9-1m)

For Sale.

My house and three acres of land on Boomer heights, with good improvements. 9-2t Tom Waggener,

Wolford Bros. of Casey Creek, recently bought from a party in Marion county one of the finest Herriford bulls ever brought to this county. He is only two years old and tips the scales at 1200 pounds. He is said to be perfect in form and marks and comes from one of the best herds in the state. The price paid was \$75.00.

Owing to the illness of Rev. Tyler Wright, who was appointed to serve the Columbia circuit, the work has been filled by Rev. J. H. Rood, of Campbellsville, who will take charge the first of January and continue the remainder of the year. Rev. Rood will move to Columbia at once and put his children in the L. W. T. S.

On last Thursday evening "Hillcrest," the home of Miss Winnie Dohoney, was the scene of quite a merry gathering, it being the occasion of a "pea-nut-jab" given to her friends. Master Lucien Hunn was winner of the prize, a nice box of bon bons. Other games were engaged in, and the time passed too quickly away.

News was received here the first of last week that Mr. Jas. S. Naylor was lying dangerously ill at his new home in Oklahoma, and friends and relatives were very anxious concerning him. They were greatly relieved on Saturday when a letter came stating that Mr. Naylor was better.

Mr. W. H. Newby transferred his property, on Burkesville street, just above the Hancock Hotel, last Friday to Mr. J. S. Breeding. We understand the consideration was \$1,600. Mr. Rollin Browning will continue to occupy the residence.

The suit involving Green county's liability for \$250,000 worth of bonds, issued in 1871, to aid in the building of the Cumberland & Ohio railroad, was decided by the Supreme court of the United States on the 4th inst, against the county.

Sallie, a little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Hudson, fell down a flight of steps last Monday and was severely hurt. A large gash was cut in her head and one of her fingers was cut almost off. A doctor was called and dressed the wounds.

There will be a meeting of the County Board of Education at the office of Mrs. Georgia Shelton next Monday. All persons who desire changes in their school districts are requested to be present and make their wants known.

A great many new pupils entered the Lindsey-Wilson yesterday, and they will continue to arrive throughout the week. There is room for all that will come. The boarding capacity is larger than ever before.

At the sale of the personal property of S. D. Caldwell, deceased, billed for Tuesday Jan. 12th, there will be sold a fine yearling Peacock Stallion. He is a perfect beauty. Do not fail to see him.

Marriage Licenses.

Mr. T. R. Stults, County Court Clerk of Adair, issued the following marriage licenses during the month of December.

C. C. Coffey, to Ina Coomer.
Thos. Duncan, to Mary A. Flatt.
Samuel Smith, to Grace Dooley.
Herschel Voils, to Rosa E. Cundiff.
Lonis James, to Little M. Hammons.
R. R. Edwards, to Ollie M. Bradshaw.

John H. Burress to Etha F. Jesse.
James Hammonds, to Lou Burdridge.
Rollin James to Vara McGuinnis.
Robt. L. Sneed, to Etta M. Coomer.
Virgil L. Bell, to Miller C. Coomer.
Wirt Walkup, to Lola Hamilton.
Oliver McGaha, to Mattie Beard.
Nolan Jones, to Louisa Chelf.
J. S. Gadberrry, to Ethel Lewis.
Wm. V. Wilson, to Kizzie A. Burress.
Levi Hovious, to Mattie D. Taylor.
L. F. Keltner, to Pattie Coffey.

Attention.

All persons owing men notes and accounts are requested to call and settle at once. I need the money due me and I trust that this notice will be heeded. The outstanding business of 1908 must be settled. W. L. Walker.

A Card of Thanks.

We want to thank our neighbors for their kindness in the short sickness of our dear daughter and sister, Mrs. Ethel Frye, who died Dec. 24, 1908. We want to state that she died in the faith of her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. A brother, W. L. Simmons.

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A Visit to Adair County Schools.

Editor News:

I have just finished visiting the Adair county schools, and looking after their sanitary conditions. I find the health conditions good. They generally have good water—some have to go quite a distance to get it, but the most of them have good neighbors, who will not deny good water to the children of the schools.

I found the attendance generally bad. It is awful to think how little attention is paid to the schools by the trustees, and the parents. We have had under the old law about 270 men who have been elected or appointed trustees, whose business it is to look after the condition of the public school. We also have a superintendent, who receives the money from the State, and pays it out to the teacher, and the name of her office implies that she too, has to see how the schools are getting along.

I kept a record of the attendance at the various schools, and wish it published so that the people can see how the work of the public schools is being done. The number of pupil children in the county, as given to me by teachers is 5095. The number in attendance is 1605, the number absent was 3490, making the attendance 37% per cent. This includes all the schools—taking the colored schools separately, we have in all 578 with an attendance of 128, or just 25 per cent.

"I found one only with no attendance, and that was in a good neighborhood with 53 in the district. I found two with only one present in each. These were colored districts. Among the whites I found one district with 79, and only 4 present. I found two others with only 4, and yet, I do not blame the teachers. They seemed to be doing the best they could. In talking with them I found some of them murderers of the King's English. One of them whom I had met only once before, a year ago, when I asked her if she knew me, answered, "O yes, I know you as soon as I see you." A very common expression among them is, "I taken" so and so. I attributed this fault to the examiners. They should, I think, give them oral examinations on grammar, if it is lawful to do so. Of course, they know better, but they should be taught to be more particular, and not make so many blunders in the presence of their schools.

Now I see no solution of this state of things, but in a rigid compulsory school law. We have a compulsory law now, but it won't "compulse." We once had a law requiring the teacher to be dismissed if he did not keep 25 per cent. in attendance. I do not know what has become of that law. It was a very poor law, and ought never to have been enacted. It made the teachers responsible for the non attendance of the pupils, and made no provision for the 75 per cent not attending.

One trouble with our common school system is, the teachers are paid just as much for the children who do not attend school, as for those who do. The teachers are paid in our county the magnificent sum \$15,000, or more, and this sum divided by the number attending would be 8 dollars each.

I do not want to close this communication without saying something respecting the school houses. Some are good, some are bad, and some are indifferent. One house I visited was made of logs, and the door was off the hinges, the stove was nearly burned up, had no shutter to the door, and two of the windows to the house had not even sash to them. That young lady teacher went from Columbia, was bright and cheerful, and making no complaint. She had eight little children huddled around that thing that had once been a stove, and not a word of complaint from any of them. If there had been a case of diphtheria, or scarletina in that neighborhood, I would have suspended that school, and sent the children and teacher home. And yet keeping those children there under the circumstances, was much more detrimental to their health than the other would have been, for that day the thermometer registered below 20. Now let us hear from the people on this subject, especially, the parents, the teachers, the trustees, and the school superintendent. U. L. Taylor.

Public Sale

Next Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, there will be sold to the highest bidder, at the M. and F. High School a lot of chairs, tables, mattresses, bedsteads, dressers, stoves, etc. A chance for bargains.

J. O. Russell,
J. W. Flowers,
Committee.

Secure a Free Scholarship.

All persons who contemplate entering the Western Kentucky State Normal School on a free scholarship should see

their County Superintendent and make application at once, provided they have not already done so. Appointments may be made at any time to enter. Catalog furnished upon application. Write H. H. Cherry, President State Normal School, Bowling Green, Ky. (9-2t)

Masonic Elections.

GLENSFORK LODGE.

J. W. Marshall—Master.
W. E. Blair—S. W.
S. L. Blair—J. W.
J. V. Dudley—Sec'y.
Z. L. Samuel—Treas.
C. A. Walker—Tyler.
H. K. Walkup—S. D.
W. A. Garnett—J. D.
Andrew Willis {
C. E. Willis { Stewards.

CASEY'S CREEK LODGE.

W. L. Simpson—Master.
G. L. Wolford—S. W.
H. H. Tucker—J. W.
Emmit Goode—Sec'y.
R. J. Stayton—Treas.
J. M. Wolford—S. D.
J. A. Williams—J. D.
Jas. Richardson—Tyler.

CANEY VALLEY LODGE.

Horace Massie—Master.
John Littrell—S. W.
O. W. McAllister—J. W.
J. W. Sublett—Treas.
A. H. Judd—Sec.
J. B. Russell—S. D.
Junius Hancock—J. D.
E. C. Page—Tyler.

One lot of collars all sizes and styles at Russell & Co, at 5 cents.

QUARTERLY REPORT —OF THE— BANK OF COLUMBIA

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON THE
31ST DAY OF DECEMBER, 1908.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts.....	\$79 112 33
Overdrafts.....	2 323 99
Due from National Banks.....	19 894 17
Due from State Banks and Bankers.....	3 371 79
Banking house and lot.....	21 265 96
Mortgages.....	3 000 00
Other stocks and bonds.....	53 631 95
Specie.....	16 426 32
Currency.....	4 695 82
Other items carried as cash.....	6 405 00
Furniture and fixtures.....	11 100 82
Current Expenses, Last Quarter.....	1 454 33
Give description, location, value and how long owned, all real estate, except banking house and lot, if any owned longer than five years. Don't own any.	1 075 17
Lease on Building.....	235 00
Capital Stock paid in, in cash.....	\$188,376 30

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in, in cash.....	\$ 30,000 00
Surplus fund.....	30,000 00
Undivided Profits.....	4 000 00
Deposits subject to check, on which interest is not paid.....	123,724 32
Fund for Taxes.....	651 98

SUPPLEMENTARY.	
Highest amount of indebtedness of any stockholder, person, company or firm (including in the liability of the individual members thereof) directly or indirectly, if such indebtedness exceeds 30 per cent. of capital stock actually paid in, and actual amount of surplus of that bank.....	None
Highest amount of indebtedness of any director or officer, if amount of such indebtedness exceeds 10 per cent. of paid-up capital stock of bank.....	None
Does amount of indebtedness of any person, company or firm, (including in the liability of the individual members thereof) exceed 30 per cent. of paid-up capital and actual surplus.....	No
Amount of last dividend.....	1 800 00
Were all expenses, losses, interest and taxes deducted therefrom before declaring a dividend, and, was not less than 10 per cent. of net profits of the bank for the period covered by the dividend carried to the surplus fund before said dividend was declared? Yes.....	No
Are any branch institutions being conducted by your bank?.....	No.

STATE OF KENTUCKY, } ss
COUNTY OF ADAIR,

Jno. W. Flowers, Cashier of the Bank of Columbia, a bank organized in 1898 and located and doing business in the town of Columbia, in said county, being duly sworn, says that the foregoing report is in all respects a true statement of the condition of said Bank at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1908, to the best of his knowledge and belief; and further says that the business of said Bank has been transacted at location named, and not elsewhere; that no branch banks are being conducted by said bank and that the above report is made in compliance with an official notice received from the Secretary of State, designating the 31st day of December, 1908, as the day on which such report shall be made.

Jno. W. Flowers, Cashier
W. W. Jones, Director.
R. F. PAULL, Director.
JAMES GARNETT, Director
Subscribed and sworn to before me by Jno. W. Flowers the 1st day of January, 1909.
J. R. GARNETT, N. P. A. C. Ky.
My commission expires January 25, 1910.

Medical Society.

The following is the program of the Adair County Medical Society which meets in Columbia the second Thursday in January, 1909, at which we want every physician in the county to be present:

Epidemic Cartarrh (grippe), S. A. Taylor.
Public Health, U. L. Taylor.
Scarlet Fever, Wm. Blair.
Laryngitis, C. M. Russell.
Some cases I have lost, E. B. Atkinson.
W. F. Cartwright,
R. Y. Hindman,
W. T. Grissom,
Committee.

Birthday Dinner.

Last Saturday was the sixty-seventh anniversary of Mr. Z. M. Staples, this place. His daughters, Mrs. G. F. Stults and Mrs. Gordon Montgomery prepared a magnificent dinner and a number of friends were called in to do honor to the occasion. Mr. Staples, who is one of Columbia's best citizens, received a number of useful and handsome presents.

Attention.

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QUARTERLY REPORT

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CITIZENS BANK

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON
THE 31ST DAY OF DECEMBER,
1908.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts.....	37 881 41
Overdrafts, unsecured.....	3 117 92
Due from National Banks.....	7 493 41
Due from State Banks and Bankers.....	411 05
Mortgages.....	7 904 45
Specie.....	5 890 42
Currency.....	3 207 00
Exchange for Clearings.....	3 594 00
Other Items carried as Cash.....	1 461 03
Furniture and Fixtures.....	644 92
Current Expenses last Quarter 589 89	1 665 00
Give description, location, value and how long owned, all real estate except banking house and lot, if any owned longer than five years. Don't own any.	
Lease on Building.....	235 00
	62 394 50

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in, in cash.....	15 000 00
Surplus Fund.....	1 170 00
Undivided Profits.....	221 51
Deposits subject to check (on which interest is not paid).....	43 452 59
Bills rediscounted.....	2 550 00

SUPPLEMENTARY.	
Highest amount of indebtedness of any stockholder, person, company or firm (including in the liability of the individual members thereof) directly or indirectly, if such indebtedness exceeds 20 per cent. of capital stock actually paid in, and actual amount of surplus of the bank.....	None
Highest amount of indebtedness of any director or officer, if amount of such indebtedness exceeds 10 per cent. of paid-up capital stock of bank.....	None
Does amount of indebtedness of any person, company or firm including in the liability of the company or firm the liability of the individual members thereof, exceed 30 per cent. of paid-up capital and actual surplus.....	No
Amount of last dividend.....	\$450 00
Were all expenses, losses, interest and taxes deducted therefrom before declaring dividend, and was not less than 10 per cent. of net profits of the bank for the period covered by the dividend carried to the surplus fund before said dividend was declared?.....	Yes.
Are any branch institutions being conducted by your bank?.....	No.
Has your institution yet started business in its trust department?.....	No.

STATE OF KENTUCKY, } ss
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Jo Coffey, Cashier of Citizens Bank, a bank organized in 1906 located and doing business in the town of Columbia, in said county, being duly sworn, says that the foregoing report is in all respects a true statement of the condition of said Bank at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1908, to the best of his knowledge and belief; and further says that the business of said Bank has been transacted at location named, and not elsewhere; that no branch banks are being conducted by said bank and that the above report is made in compliance with an official notice received from the Secretary of State designating the 31st day of Dec., 1908, as the day on which such report shall be made.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Jo Coffey the 5th day of January, 1909.
J. O. Russell, Notary Public
Adair county, Ky.
My commission expires January 15th, 1910
Jo Coffey, Cashier.
J. H. Young, Director.
JOHN N. CONOVER, Director.
W. A. Coffey, Director.